

House Study Bill 667 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON HEIN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the assessment and taxation of wind energy
2 conversion property and including effective date and
3 retroactive applicability provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 427B.26, subsection 3, Code 2022, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. a. The taxpayer shall file with the local assessor
4 by February 1 of the assessment year in which the wind
5 energy conversion property is first assessed for property
6 tax purposes, a declaration of intent to have the property
7 assessed at the value determined under this section in lieu
8 of the valuation and assessment provisions in section 441.21,
9 subsection 8, paragraphs "b", "c", and "d", and sections 428.24
10 through 428.26, 428.28, and 428.29.

11 b. Maintaining, refurbishing, or repowering wind energy
12 conversion property shall not cause the wind energy conversion
13 property to receive a new assessment schedule under subsection
14 2.

15 Sec. 2. Section 427B.26, subsection 4, Code 2022, is amended
16 by adding the following new paragraph:

17 NEW PARAGRAPH. *Ob.* "Repowering" means the removal and
18 replacement of components of wind energy conversion property.

19 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
20 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

21 Sec. 4. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies
22 retroactively to assessment years beginning on or after January
23 1, 2022.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 Code section 427B.26 governs the special valuation of
28 wind energy conversion property for such property covered
29 by an ordinance adopted by a city council or county board
30 of supervisors. The valuation of such property increases
31 over a period of years until, for the seventh and succeeding
32 assessment years, the property is assessed at 30 percent of the
33 net acquisition cost.

34 This bill provides that maintaining, refurbishing, or
35 repowering wind energy conversion property shall not cause

1 the wind energy conversion property to receive a new special
2 valuation schedule under Code section 427B.26. The bill
3 defines "repowering" as the removal and replacement of
4 components of wind energy conversion property.

5 The bill takes effect upon enactment and applies
6 retroactively to assessment years beginning on or after January
7 1, 2022.